



TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

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In re patent application of: **Gundlapalli et al.**

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For: **Method and Apparatus for Surgically Preparing a Tibia for Implantation of a Prosthetic Implant Component which has an Offset Stem**

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified patent application. Also submitted herewith is a Petition for a Two (2) Month Extension of Time. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Paid For	Fee Calculation	Additional Fee
Total Claims	28	20	8 x 18	\$ 144.00
Independent Claims	4	3	1 x 86	\$ 86.00
Total Additional Fee Required				\$ 230.00

- * A check in the amount of \$650.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a Two Month Extension of Time (\$420.00), the fee for the eight additional total claims (\$144.00) and the fee for the one additional independent claim (\$86.00).
- * Please provide any further extensions of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 13-0014, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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